IN THE CLAIMS

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25. (Previously Amended) A composition for simultaneously coloring and highlighting hair, said composition comprising:

approximately 1 part by weight of a powder bleach composition;.

approximately 1.5 to about 5 parts by weight of an aqueous developer composition; and

approximately 1.5 to about 5 parts by weight of an aqueous based hair colorant comprised of one or more cationic dyes;

wherein said components are mixed together just prior to application to the hair.

26. (Amended) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said powder bleach composition comprises at least one persulfate compound and at least one particulate filler.

27. (Amended) A composition according to claim 26, wherein said powder bleach composition comprises from about 15-65% by weight [of the total composition of one or more inorganic] of said at least one persulfate[s] compound.

28. (Amended) A composition according to claim 26, wherein said persulfate compound[s] includes one or more compounds from the group consisting of [comprise] alkali metals [or] and alkaline earth metals.

29. (Previously Amended) A composition according to claim 28, wherein said alkali metals are selected from the group consisting of: lithium, sodium, potassium, and cesium.

30. (Original) A composition according to claim 28, wherein said alkaline earth metals are selected from the group consisting of: magnesium and calcium.

31. (Amended) A composition according to claim 28, wherein said persulfates comprise particles ranging in size from about 0.1 to 200 microns.

32. (Amended) A composition according to claim 26, wherein said powder bleach composition comprises from about 5-60% by weight [of the total composition] of said particulate fillers.

33. (Previously Amended) A composition according to claim 32, wherein said particulate fillers are inert.

34. (Amended) A composition according to claim 32 [33], wherein said particulate fillers have a particle size of 0.1 to 250 microns.

35. (Previously Amended) A composition according to claim 34, wherein said particulate fillers are comprised of inorganics, inorganic salts, hydrophilic colloids, carbohydrates, soaps, or alkyl sulfates.

36. (Original) A composition according to claim 35, wherein said inorganics are selected from the group consisting of: silica, hydrated silica, alumina, attapulgite, bentonite, calcium oxide, chalk, diamond powder, diatomaceous earth, fuller's earth, hectorite, kaolin, mica, magnesium oxide, magnesium peroxide, montmorillonite, pumice, talc, tin oxide, zeolite, and zinc oxide.

37. (Original) A composition according to claim 35, wherein said inorganic salts are selected from the group consisting of: aluminum, sodium, potassium, magnesium, sodium metasilicate, sodium chloride, sodium silicate, aluminum citrate, calcium saccharin, calcium salicylate, calcium citrate, calcium benzoate, magnesium acetate, magnesium ascorbate, sodium citrate, sodium gluconate and sodium pyruvate.

38. (Original) A composition according to claim 35, wherein said hydrophilic colloids are selected from the group consisting of: hydroxyethylcellulose, locust bean gum, maltodextrin, methylcellulose, agar, dextran, dextran sulfate, gelatin, pectin, potassium alginate, and sodium carboxymethylchitin.

39. (Original) A composition according to claim 35, wherein said carbohydrates are selected from the group consisting of: sugars, glucose, sucrose, maltose, xylose, trehelose, sugar esters, C_{14-30} fatty acids, dextrins, and cellulosics.

40. (Original) A composition according to claim 35, wherein said soaps and alkyl sulfates are selected from the group consisting of: aluminum distearate, aluminum isostearate, aluminum myristate, calcium behenate, calcium stearate, magnesium stearate, magnesium tallowate, potassium palmitate, potassium stearate, potassium oleate, sodium stearate, sodium oleate, sodium myristate, sodium palmitate, sodium laurel sulfate, sodium cetyl sulfate, sodium myristyl sulfate, and sodium octyl sulfate.

41. (Amended) A composition according to claim 26, wherein said powder bleach composition further comprises inorganic [particulate] colorants.

42. (Amended) A composition according to claim 41, wherein said powder bleach composition [inorganic colorants] comprises 0.01-2% of [an] said inorganic colorant.

43. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said aqueous developer composition comprises:

water;

hydrogen peroxide; and

an oily phase;

wherein said water phase comprises 50-99% by weight of said aqueous developer composition, said hydrogen peroxide comprises 1-30% by weight of said aqueous developer composition, and wherein said oily phase comprises 0.01-30% by weight of said aqueous developer composition.

44. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said aqueous developer composition comprises a water-in-oil emulsion.

45. (Amended) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said aqueous developer composition comprises an oil-in-water emulsion.

46. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said aqueous developer composition comprises a clear aqueous solution.

47. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said oily phase is a hydrocarbon oil.

48. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said oily phase is comprised of a volatile silicone.

49. (Amended) A composition according to claim 48, wherein said volatile silicone is selected from the group consisting of: octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane, decamethylcyclopentasiloxane, and hexamethyldisiloxane[,].

50. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said oily phase is comprised of an ester, glyceral esters of fatty acids, or nonvolatile hydrocarbons.

51. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said aqueous developer composition further comprises a nonionic surfactant.

52. (Amended) A composition according to claim 51, wherein said nonionic surfactant comprises 0.01-10% by weight of [said] total aqueous developer composition.

53. (Original) A composition according to claim 51, wherein said nonionic surfactant comprises an alkoxylated alcohol, alkoxylated carboxilic acid, or sorbitan derivative.

54. (Amended) A composition according to claim 53, wherein said alkoxylated alcohol is selected from the group consisting of::

products of a reaction of behenyl alcohol and ethylene oxide, wherein the number of repeated ethylene oxide units is 5 to 30;

products of a reaction of cetyl alcohol, stearyl alcohol and ethylene oxide, wherein the number of repeating ethylene oxide units is 2 to 100; or

products of a reaction of cetyl alcohol and ethylene oxide [exode], wherein the number of repeating ethylene oxide units is 1 to 45.

55. (Original) A composition according to claim 53, wherein said sorbitan derivative is selected from the group consisting of: Polysorbate 20-85, sorbitan oleate, sorbitan palmitate, sorbitan sesquiisostearate and sorbitan stearate.

56. (Original) A composition according to claim 43, wherein said aqueous developer composition further comprises a thickening agent.

57. (Amended) A composition according to claim 56, wherein said thickening agent comprises 0.0001-5% by weight of said total aqueous developer composition.

58. (Amended) A composition according to claim 56, wherein said thickening agent is comprised of an acrylic copolymer [thickener].

59. (Amended) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye compound comprises 0.001-10% by weight of said total aqueous based hair colorant composition.

60. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye is selected from the group consisting of: azo, phenazine and thiazine.

61. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye compound further comprises a cationic surfactant.

62. (Amended) A composition according to claim 61, wherein said cationic surfactant comprises 0.001-10% by weight of said aqueous based hair colorant composition.

63. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye compound further comprises oily ingredients.

64. (Amended) A composition according to claim 63, wherein said oily ingredients comprise 0.001-20% by weight of said aqueous based hair colorant composition.

65. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye compound further comprises humectants.

66. (Amended) A composition according to claim 65, wherein said humectants comprise 0.01-10% by weight of said aqueous based hair colorant composition.

67. (Original) A composition according to claim 25, wherein said cationic dye compound further comprises protein derivatives.

68. (Amended) A composition according to claim 67, wherein said protein derivatives comprise 0.01-15% by weight of said colorant composition.

69. (Withdrawn) A single composition for simultaneously coloring and highlighting hair to provide hair fibers having variations in tonality, hue and/or shade, comprising, by weight of the total composition:

(a) 1-20% inorganic persulfate,

(b) 5-60% particulate fillers,

(c) 1-20% hydrogen peroxide,

(d) 0.01-10% of at least one cationic dye molecules.

70. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 69, wherein said particulate filler is selected from the group consisting of inorganics, inorganic salts, hydrophobic colloids and carbohydrates.

71. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 69, wherein said particulate filler further comprises a carbohydrate selected from the group consisting of glucose, sucrose, maltose, xylose, trehelose and derivatives thereof, in particular sugar esters of long chain, C_{14-30} fatty acids, as well as dextrins, cellulosics and derivatives thereof.

72. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 69, wherein said particulate filler is sucrose.

73. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 69, wherein said inorganic persulfate is an alkali metal or alkaline earth metal persulfate, or mixtures thereof.

74. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 69, wherein said cationic dye molecules are selected from the group consisting of azo, phenazine, thiazine, and mixtures thereof.

75. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 69, wherein said composition comprises 0.01-20% of one or more cationic surfactants.

76. (Withdrawn) A one step method for simultaneously coloring and highlighting hair to provide hair fibers having variations in tonality, hue, and/or shade comprising the steps of:

(a) combining, immediately prior to application, (i) a powder composition comprised of at least one alkali metal or alkaline earth metal persulfate and a particulate filler, (ii) an aqueous developer composition comprised of hydrogen peroxide; and (iii) an aqueous based colorant composition; and

(b) applying the mixture of (a) to the hair for a period of time sufficient to cause coloration and highlighting of the hair.

77. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 76 wherein the powder composition comprise 15-63% by weight of the total composition of sodium or potassium persulfate, or mixtures thereof.

78. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 77 wherein the powder composition further comprises 5-60% by weight of the total composition of one or more particulate fillers.

79. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 78, wherein said particulate filler is selected from the group consisting of inorganics, inorganic salts, hydrophobic colloids and carbohydrates.

80. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 78, wherein said particulate filler further comprises a carbohydrate selected from the group consisting of glucose, sucrose, maltose, xylose, trehelose and derivatives thereof, in particular sugar esters of long chain, C_{14-30} fatty acids, as well as dextrins, cellulosics and derivatives thereof.

81. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 78, wherein said particulate filler is sucrose.

82. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 78, wherein the powder composition further comprises 0.01 - 2% by weight of inorganic colorant.

83. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 76, wherein the aqueous developer composition comprises, by weight of the total composition, 50-99% water, 1-30% hydrogen peroxide, and 0.01-30% of an oily phase.

84. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 83, wherein the aqueous developer composition additionally comprises 0.01-10% of a film forming polymer.

85. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 76, wherein the aqueous based colorant composition comprises, by weight of the total composition, 0.01-10% of one or more cationic dye molecules.

86. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 85, wherein said cationic dye molecules are selected from the group consisting of azo, phenazine, thiazine, and mixtures thereof.

87. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 86, wherein the aqueous based colorant has a pH of 4 to 7.

88. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 87, wherein the aqueous based colorant composition further comprises 0.01-20% of a cationic surfactant.

89. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 86, wherein the aqueous based colorant further comprises, by weight of the total composition, 0.01-30% of a silicone selected from the group consisting of volatile silicone, nonvolatile silicone, and mixtures thereof.

90. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 89, wherein the aqueous based colorant composition further comprises 0.1-20% humectant.

91. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 86, wherein the aqueous based colorant composition further comprises 0.1-10% of one or more protein derivatives.

92. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 76, wherein the mixture of (a) comprises, by weigh tof the total mixture, about 1-30% (i) 20-60% of (ii); and 20-60% of (iii).

93. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 92, wherein the mixture of (a) has a pH of about 7.5 to 11.

94. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 93, wherein the mixture of (a) is applied to the hair for about 5 to 40 minutes and then rinsed out with water.

95. (Withdrawn) A composition according to claim 94, wherein said inorganic persulfate is an alkali metal or alkaline earth metal persulfate, or mixtures thereof.

96. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 94, wherein said cationic dye molecules are selected from the group consisting of azo, phenazine, thiazine, and mixtures thereof.

97. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 94, wherein said cationic surfactant comprises a quaternary ammonium compound.

98. (Original) A composition according to claim 47, wherein said hydrocarbon oil is a C_{12} isoparaffin.--